

Friday, October 30, 1959

10:55 - Gen. Goodpaster telephoned. Goodpaster said he showed the President the summary of new proposals on Berlin. Goodpaster said the President didn't read it thru but he knows it is in XIX hand. Goodpaster said he told the President he would arrange a time next week when the President could go over this or alternatively discuss with Secy Herter. Goodpaster said the President asked if there were new proposals on Bermany as distinct from Berlin. Secv mentioned the Committee of 4 suggestion with German Advisers which would be instructed to work out what they could toward a peace treaty. Secy said the second thing that has to do with Germany is the Norstad plan, which may well come up in connection with the Summit. Goodpaster said he felt sure the President would want to get into these at the same time. Agreed disarmament, the mesting with Defense on budget, etc. all are getting tied together. Goodpaster said he would look into time for a meeting early next week (possibly Monday). Secv mentioned briefing by Gen. Schuyler and the inconsistencies in the "shield concept". Secv said this is a very important thing to get straightened out. Secv also said they were planning to have first meeting with Ambassadors of Great Britain. France and Germany to urge them to get such specifies of thinking as possible from their Government.

(2) Goddpaster said he would like to raise two other matters. The first was that the President wanted Goodpaster to convey to the Secretary that the Secretary see if he could think of some kind of an excuse for

a note to Khrushchev in which the President work in a reference to preparing and working hard with our allies to negotiate some of the things they discussed at Camp David . President is wondering if some note could be sent in which he could mention this in passing. Secretary laid this would really be an amplification of what the President told Ambassador Thompson and Goodpaster sail K that was right but the note could go over the President's signature.

3) Goodpaster said his final item was that they had heard indirectly that the Potsdam papers are being prepared for publication. Goodpaster said they have no knowledge of when they would be published but wondered if this had come to the Secretary's attention. Goodpaster said it would seem they would have a possible bearing on some of these other things and perhaps this is not the right time to publish them. The Secretary said he was not aware of this, but would look into it immediately.